## Procedural Approach for Preserving Granite Curbs in Historic Districts

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- 1. Consider whether the site falls within a Local Historic District by visiting either of the following websites:
  - a. City of Durham Planning Department (Figure 1)
    - i. Type the following website address into the navigation bar on your browser: <a href="http://durhamnc.gov/ich/cb/ccpd/Pages/Home.aspx">http://durhamnc.gov/ich/cb/ccpd/Pages/Home.aspx</a>
    - ii. On the right hand side of the page, choose *Historic Preservation*.
    - iii. Under 1. General Information, choose Historic Resources Map.
    - iv. Local Historic Districts will be enclosed by a purple outline (see map legend). If the site is located within the overlay, proceed to step 2.



Figure 1 – City of Durham Planning Department website

## b. GoMaps (Figure 2)

- i. Type the following website address into the navigation bar on your browser: <a href="http://gisweb.durhamnc.gov/gomaps/map/index.cfm">http://gisweb.durhamnc.gov/gomaps/map/index.cfm</a>
- ii. Type the PIN, Parcel ID or Address in the Quick Search Box. Click Go.
- iii. On the right hand side of the screen, click on the *Planning/Zoning* layer.
- iv. On the drop down list under the *Planning/Zoning* layer, click on the box to choose *Overlay Local Historic District*.
- v. Local Historic Districts will appear as a red striped layer (overlay) on the map. If the site is located within the overlay, proceed to step 2.

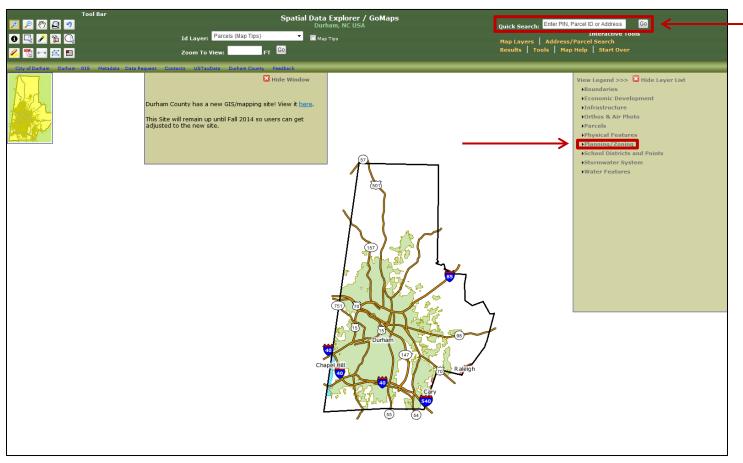


Figure 2 - GoMaps

- 2. When possible, avoid disturbing the existing granite curbing.
- 3. If the granite curb must be removed, replace the same piece of granite as per Figure 3.
- 4. If the granite curb is damaged prior to or during removal
  - a. Contact appropriate Public Works staff (Project Manager or Inspector) to confirm that existing granite curb cannot be reused.
  - b. Replace sections 3 feet in length or larger (no sections less than 3 feet will be installed).
- 5. For sections where granite curbing cannot be replaced due to damage, replace with concrete curb and gutter.
- 6. Replace existing concrete curbs with concrete curb and gutter.
- 7. Notes:
  - a. The profile of the concrete curb should match that of the existing granite curb.
  - b. Dye should be added to the concrete to match the shade of the existing granite curbing.
  - c. The above guidelines do not apply to curb cuts for sidewalk ramps.

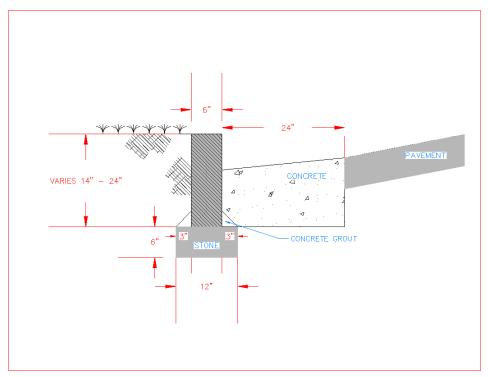


Figure 3 - Granite curbing detail